Amendments to the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listing, of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

1. Claim 1 (Original): A method of operating a computer system, said method comprising:

   providing a program in memory, the program including at least one program unit, each

   program unit comprising an Application Programming Interface (API) definition file and

   an implementation, each API definition file defining items in its associated program unit

   that are made accessible to one or more other program units, each implementation

   including executable code corresponding to said API definition file, said executable

   code including type specific instructions and data; and

   performing a first verification including verifying said program prior to an installation of said

   program, said first verification including

   indicating a verification error when a first program unit implementation is not internally

   consistent;

   indicating a verification error when said first program unit implementation is inconsistent

   with a first program unit API definition file associated with said first program unit

   implementation; and

   generating a program fault signal when a verification error is indicated.

Claims 2-27 (canceled)